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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Applicants hereby submit comments on the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance as set forth in the Notice of Allowance mailed on January 9, 2008. The Reasons for Allowance indicate that the Examiner has interpreted computer readable medium as claimed to exclude transmission media, signals, and forms of energy such that the claim fully falls within the statutory class of inventions. The Applicants respectfully would like to make explicit that should such subject matter be held statutory, including by court ruling, the Applicants are not and have not disclaimed the inclusion of such statutory subject matter.

If there are any charges with respect to this response or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account 09-0441.

Respectfully submitted,

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